



Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

New Information Is In Blue

Event Name	20-0012 July Tropical Weather
Date	July 24, 2020
Time	0900
Operational Period	July 23 to July 24, 2020
Report Number	1

Regions Affected	
DPS Regions Affected	3
DDCs Active	None

STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION: On July 23, Governor Abbott placed numerous resources on standby across the state in anticipation of severe weather spurring from a Tropical Depression in the Gulf — including heavy rain, dangerous rip currents, and flash flooding. This Tropical Depression is expected to impact the lower third of Texas, including the upper Rio Grande Valley, the Coastal Bend, and the Texas Hill Country, throughout the weekend.

The Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) has rostered the following resources in preparation to support request from local officials:

Texas A&M Forest Service: Saw Crews and Incident Management Teams

Texas A&M Engineering and Extension Service: Texas A&M Task Force One and Two Search and Rescue Teams

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department: Boat Teams to support Water Rescue Operations

Texas Military Department: High Profile Vehicle packages

Department of State Health Services: Emergency Medical Task Force severe weather packages

Texas Department of Transportation: High Profile Vehicles

Texas Department of Public Safety – Texas Highway Patrol: Search and Rescue Aircraft with hoist capability and the Tactical Marine Unit

Texans are urged to follow these flood preparedness and safety tips during severe weather events:

Know types of flood risk in your area. Visit FEMA's Flood Map Service Center for information here: <https://msc.fema.gov/portal/home>

Sign up for your community's warning system. The Emergency Alert System (EAS) and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio also provide emergency alerts.

Build an emergency supply kit. For more information on how to build a kit, visit: <https://www.ready.gov/kit>

Purchase or renew a flood insurance policy. Homeowner's policies do not cover flooding. It typically takes up to 30 days for a policy to go into effect so the time to buy is well before a disaster. Get flood coverage under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

Keep important documents in a waterproof container. Create password-protected digital copies.

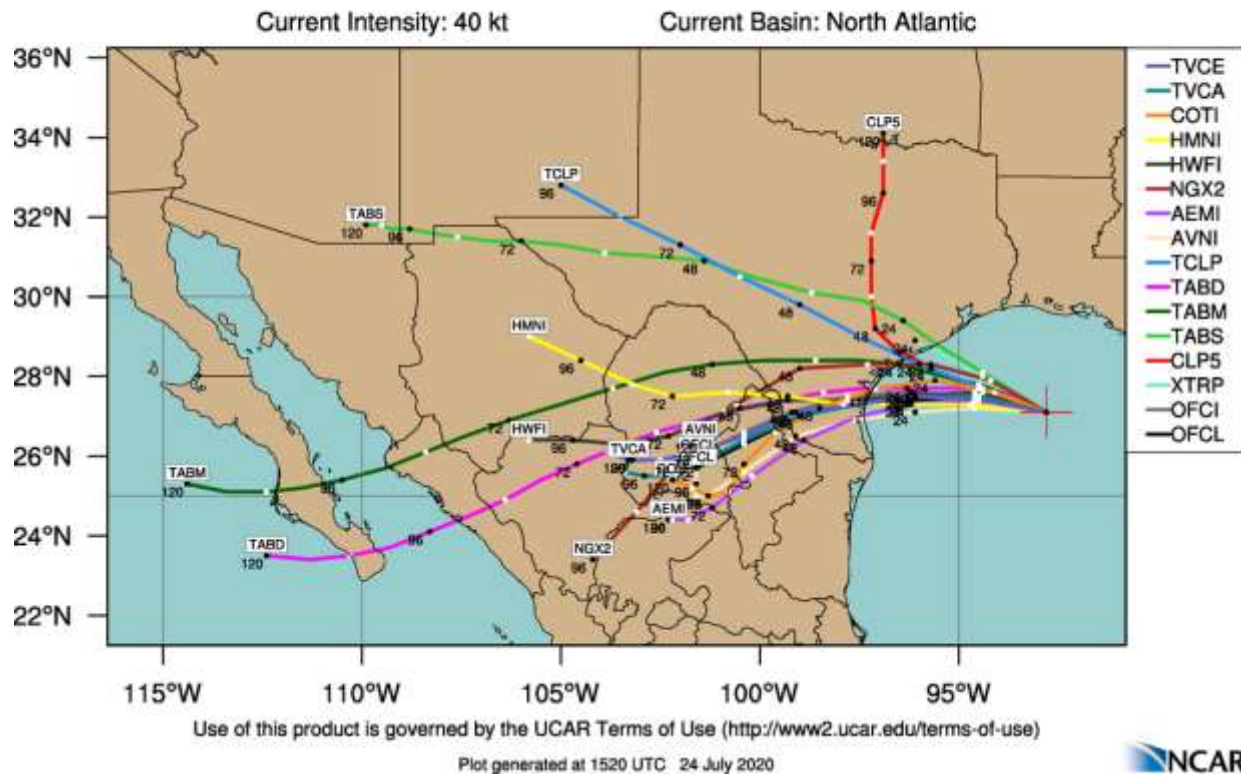
Protect your property. Move valuables to higher levels. Declutter drains and gutters. Install check valves. Consider a sump pump with a battery.

Be extremely cautious of any water on roads or in creeks, streams, storm drains, or other areas – never attempt to cross flowing streams or drive across flooded roadways and always observe road barricades placed for your protection. Remember, Turn Around Don't Drown.

For more flood safety tips, visit [ready.gov](https://www.ready.gov).

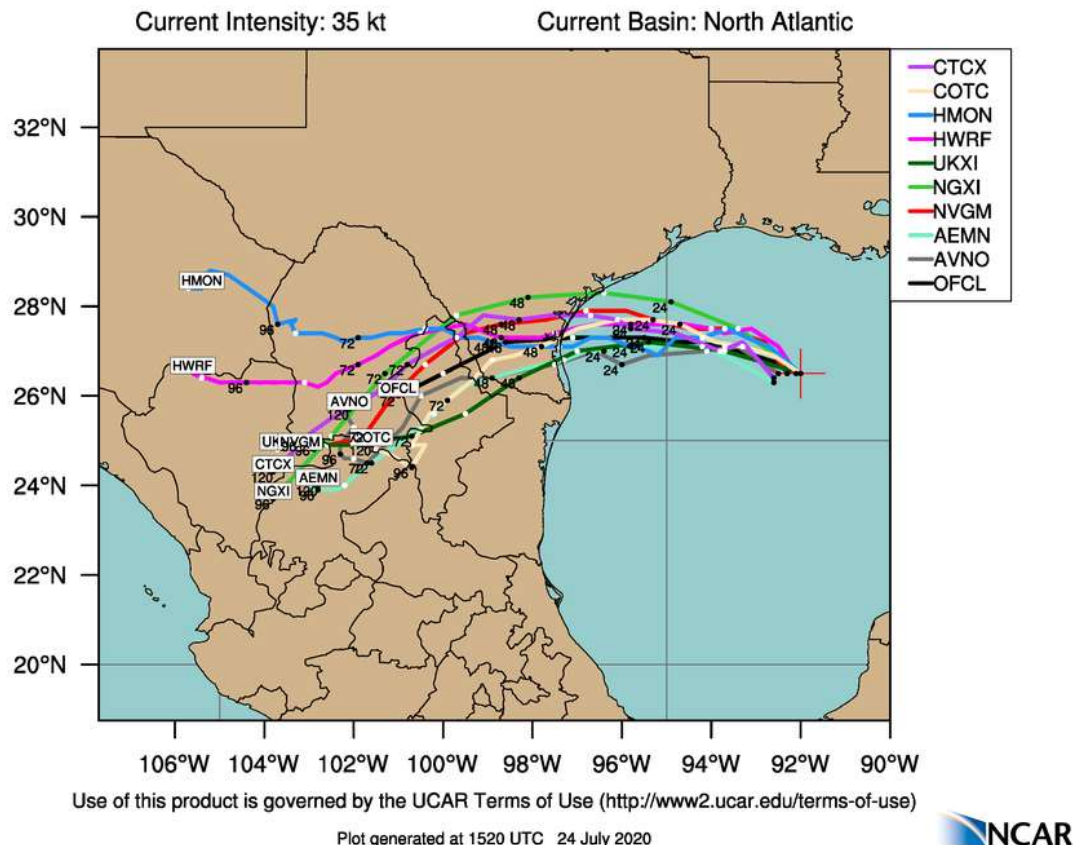
TROPICAL STORM HANNA (AL08)

Early-cycle track guidance initialized at 1200 UTC, 24 July 2020



TROPICAL STORM HANNA (AL08)

Late-cycle track guidance initialized at 0600 UTC, 24 July 2020



At 1000 AM CDT (1500 UTC), the center of Tropical Storm Hanna was located by NOAA reconnaissance aircraft near latitude 27.2 North, longitude 93.2 West. Hanna is moving toward the west-northwest near 9 mph (15 km/h), and this motion should continue today. A turn toward the west is expected tonight, followed by a westward to west-southwestward motion through the weekend. On the forecast track, center of Hanna should make landfall along the Texas coast within the warning area Saturday afternoon or evening.

Maximum sustained winds have increased to near 45 mph (75 km/h) with higher gusts. Gradual strengthening is expected until the tropical cyclone makes landfall. Steady weakening is expected after Hanna moves inland.

Tropical-storm-force winds extend outward up to 60 miles (95 km) from the center. During the past few hours, a ship located east of the center reported a sustained wind of 44 mph (70 km/h).

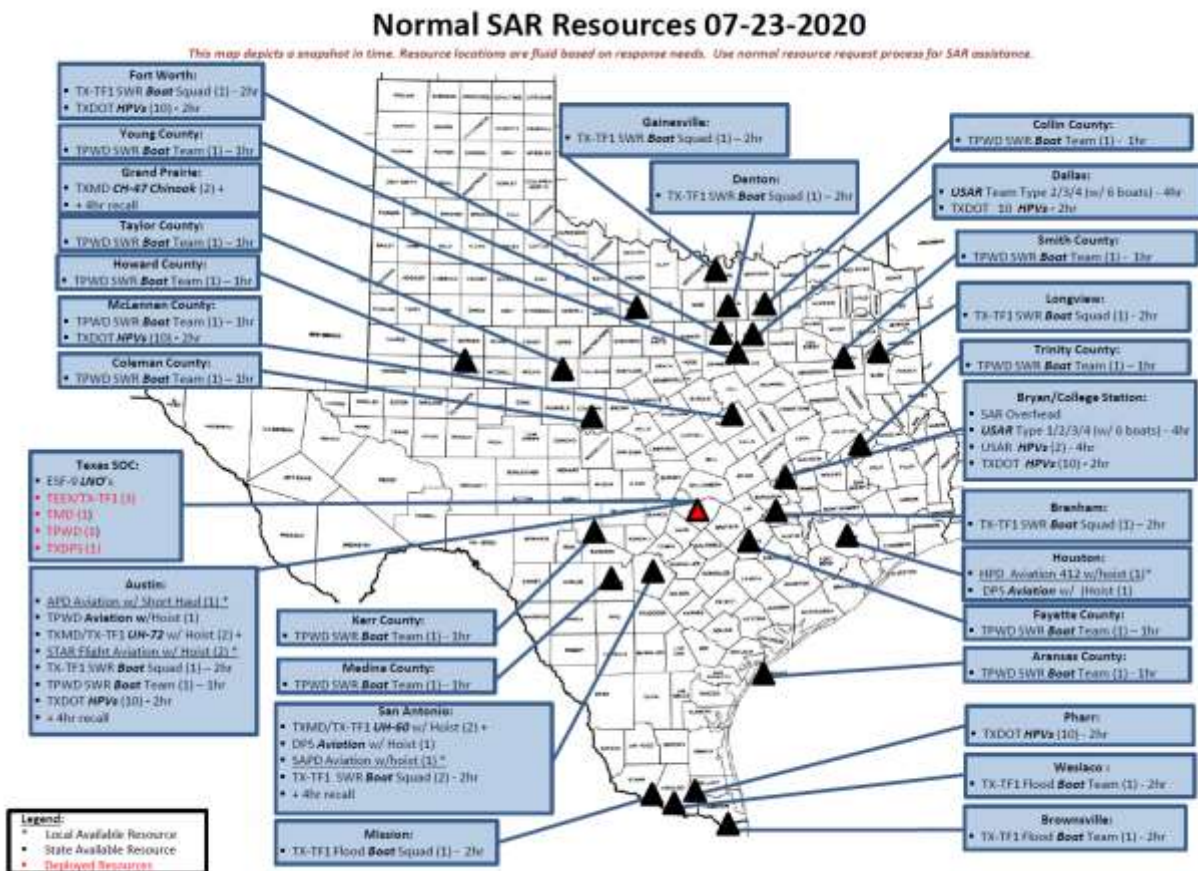
Reports from the NOAA reconnaissance aircraft indicate that the minimum central pressure is 1000 mb (29.53 inches).

OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES:

1. Protect life and property.
2. Support rapid & effective response.
3. Collect and disseminate accurate incident information to improve decision-making.
4. Accurately track incident costs associated with assigned resources for cost recovery.

RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS

STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED



Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equipment	Status	Location
TEEX	Boat Squad	36	6	Activated	Statewide
TEEX	High Profile Vehicle Package	8		Activated	Statewide
TEEX	SAR Overhead Team	10		Activated	Statewide
TEEX	ESF-9 Liason	2		Activated	
TEEX/TX-TF1	Boat Squad	35		Rostered	
TEEX/TX-TF2	Boat Squad	35		Rostered	

FINAL COMMENTS: The State Operations Center (SOC) is at Level II (Escalated Response Conditions). The Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) continues to monitor the situation and will provide additional situation reports as needed.

The four levels of SOC activation are:

- Level I (Emergency Conditions)
- Level II (Escalated Response Conditions)
- Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)
- Level IV (Normal Conditions)

This Situation Report can be found on the TDEM webpage at: <https://tdem.texas.gov/situation-reports/>

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